

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-15. (canceled)

16. (currently amended) A spectacle frame having a side-piece and a spectacle face interconnected by comprising at least one pivot point between one end of the side-piece and an end of the spectacle face, said ends having substantially flat bearing faces fit for pairing up respectively one on top of the other, elastic means for maintaining the bearing contact between said faces, wherein said ~~system~~ spectacle frame comprises two pivot parts, each having a recessed zone limited by an at least partially curved surface, each of said pivot parts depending respectively on one of the side-piece and spectacle face, said pivot parts being substantially orthogonal to each other, and engaged one in the other through interlocking of their respective recessed zone, thereby to be able to pivot relative to each other, with the result that said system comprises two intangible pivot points movable in the two orthogonal planes of said pivot parts within the limits permitted by said recessed zones, and means which allow pivoting only in ~~one or~~ two predetermined planes.

17. (previously presented) The spectacle frame as claimed in claim 16, wherein said pivot parts take the form of a ring, a loop, a hook or a polygonal plate, having a recess limited by an at least partially curved surface.

18. (previously presented) The spectacle frame as claimed in claim 16, wherein the at least partially curved surface limiting the recessed zone of each of the pivot parts is circular.

19. (previously presented) The spectacle frame as claimed in claim 16, wherein at least one of the ends of said side-piece and spectacle face incorporates a receptacle, open on the articulation side and provided with a tie rod, one end of which is held captive in said receptacle and the other end of which constitutes one of said pivot parts, said elastic means cooperating with said tie rod in order to force the bearing faces of said side-piece and spectacle face to remain in contact one with the other.

20. (previously presented) The spectacle frame as claimed in claim 16, wherein at least one of the ends of said side-piece and spectacle face incorporates a receptacle, open on the articulation side, and the wall of said receptacle has at

least one axial notch, the geometry and size of which allow a pivot part portion to penetrate into said notch from the open end of said receptacle.

21-22. (canceled)

23. (withdrawn) The spectacle frame as claimed in claim 16, wherein

at least one of the ends of said side-piece and spectacle face incorporates a receptacle, open on the articulation side, in that the wall of said receptacle has at least one axial notch, the geometry and size of which allow a pivot part portion to penetrate into said notch from the open end of said receptacle and

said wall has access ramps to said notch from the outside of the rigid element.

24. (withdrawn) The spectacle frame as claimed in claim 16, wherein:

at least one of the ends of said side-piece and spectacle face incorporates a receptacle, open on the articulation side,

the wall of said receptacle has at least one axial notch, the geometry and size of which allow a pivot part portion

to penetrate into said notch from the open end of said receptacle and,

on the outer face of said wall and opposite the open end of the receptacle, said notch opens out into a concave (or convex) surface of revolution, and in that the end of the other side-piece or spectacle face comprises a convex (or concave) surface of revolution of complementary size and shape.

25. (withdrawn) The spectacle frame as claimed in claim 16, wherein said bearing faces have at least one pair of complementary reliefs suitable for engaging in a selected relative angular position of the two rigid elements.

26. (canceled)

27. (withdrawn) The spectacle frame as claimed in claim 16, wherein one at least of the elements comprises, at its end opposite to the articulation (A), a joining means capable of engaging temporarily with a complementary joining means provided on another element.

28. (canceled)